

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

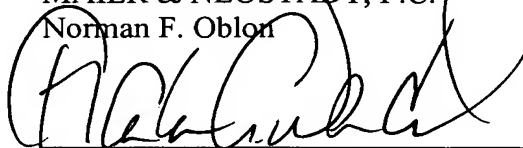
The claims have been revised to eliminate multiple dependencies and to use more conventional U.S. claim terminology.

Early examination of Claims 1-6 is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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